

JOB VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

POSITION: Physician Extender II (Family Nurse Practitioner/FNP)

DEPARTMENT: Health

SALARY: Grade 81 Starting Salary: \$26,5423 Hourly / \$55,208 Annually

OPENING DATE: March 24, 2017 "OPEN UNTIL FILLED"

APPLY AT: Duplin County Personnel Office
County Administration Building - 224 Seminary Street
Kenansville, NC 28349
910/296-2174 "Equal Opportunity Employer"

GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF DUTIES

The Physician Extender II is a midlevel position of professional work providing primary health care in collaboration with a supervising physician. This includes making medical diagnosis and dispensing medical treatment. Prior to performing in this role, the nurse practitioner must be approved to practice medical acts by the North Carolina Board of Nursing and the North Carolina Medical Board. Approval and Practice parameters for nurse practitioners that shall be abided by are: the North Carolina Administrative Code 21 NCAC 32M .0101-.0116 of the North Carolina Medical Board and the North Carolina Board of Nursing 21 NCAC 36 .800-.814. A collaborative practice agreement between the physician extender II and the supervising physician will describe the role between the two entities including the practice guidelines, prescribing and dispensing medications, quality assurance procedure, and method of contact/communication. The nurse practitioner will be held accountable for the continuous and comprehensive management of a broad range of health services for which the nurse practitioner is educationally prepared and for which the competency has been maintained.

SPECIFIC DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

EXAMPLES OF ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS

This list of essential functions, as outlined herein, is intended to be representative of the tasks performed within this classification. It is not necessarily descriptive of any one position in the class. The omission of an essential function does not preclude management from assigning duties not listed herein if such functions are a logical assignment to the position.

98% Clinical

- Assesses patients of all ages including prenatal patients, which includes reviewing and validating the nurse's assessment and ensuring a thorough patient history and physical examination.
- Diagnoses, treats and manages acute and chronic illnesses in a cost effective manner for the patient and facility.
- Prescribes, performs, and reviews the results of appropriate diagnostic and therapeutic procedures.
- Prescribes and in some cases dispenses medications and treatment.
- Consults with supervising physician, fellow health care providers and refers to appropriate specialist as indicated and per protocol.
- Evaluates health outcomes, diagnostic testing, as well as reviewing referral consult notations and recommendations.
- Providing health care in compliance with a patient's insurance plan, including Medicaid and Medicare requirements, i.e. preauthorization of meds, procedures, referrals.
- Documents care in Electronic Medical Record per policy and procedure.
- Shares 24 hours/day on call 7 days a week for health department patients and public health issues, on rotating basis with other providers at the health department. On call is defined as being available by phone/beeper.
- Completes Continuing Education required to maintain license to practice.
- Reports communicable diseases/infections to communicable disease nurse, CDC, NC State DHHS as indicated.
- Serves as educational leader and consultant for agency staff, community and students regarding public health issues.
- Promotion and maintenance of health and prevention of illness and disability in an age appropriate and

culturally sensitive manner.

MARGINAL FUNCTIONS

While the following tasks are necessary for the work of the unit, they are not an essential part of the purpose of this position and may also be performed by other unit members.

2%

- Serves as team member during disease outbreaks (public health issues or bioterrorism)
- Serves as team member as indicated during disasters that require emergency shelters
- Other duties as directed by supervisor.

MINIMUM TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE

Graduation from a Physician Extender program approved by the Medical Examiners Board and approved to practice medical acts;

Graduation from a Nurse Practitioner program approved by the NC Joint Subcommittee. (Preferably one year of experience as an Extender.);

An equivalent combination of education and experience.

Additional Training/Experience Desired

Experience in pediatrics, women's health and communicable disease

Public Health nursing experience.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

- Certified by North Carolina Medical Board as Nurse Practitioner
- NC Board of Nursing Certified Registered Nurse
- Valid NC Driver's license
- Reliable means of transportation
- Certified in basic CPR life support